

MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA - JUNE, 1961

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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Whole State at 31.3.1961

Males - 381,050 Females - 361,592 Persons - 742,642

Metropolitan at 31.12.1960

Persons - 400,000

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS

Particulars	MAY				Five Months ended MAY			
	1961		1960		1961		1960	
	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)
Marriages	396	6.26	501	8.11	2,426	7.90	2,442	8.08
Births	1,644	26.00	1,511	24.47	7,383	24.04	6,831	22.59
Deaths	514	8.13	519	8.41	2,339	7.61	2,172	7.18
Infant Mortality (b)	32	19.46	27	17.87	126	17.07	147	21.52

(a) Equivalent annual rate per 1,000 of population except for Infant Mortality which represents rate per 1,000 live births.

(b) Deaths under one year.

TRADE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA)

Expressed in Terms of Australian Currency

Item	IMPORTS				EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)			
	MAY		Eleven Months ended MAY		MAY		Eleven Months ended MAY	
	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Oversea	4,346	3,602	50,624	41,493	11,813	12,929	146,541	111,451
Interstate	9,284	9,023	105,564	105,942	3,576	2,420	39,599	31,536
Total:	13,630	12,625	156,188	147,435	15,389	15,349	186,140	142,987

LAND SETTLEMENT

Land taken up under conditional alienation during the six months ended June, 1961, totalled 327,326 acres, an increase of 10,731 acres compared with the corresponding period last year. Pastoral, special and miscellaneous leases registered during the same period amounted to 4,852,671 acres, an increase of 1,959,271 acres compared with the corresponding period of 1960.

STATE GOVERNMENT CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

Item	JUNE		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
	1961	1960	1961	1960
	£.	£.	£.	£.
Revenue	8,928,238	8,337,975	69,332,710	64,387,912
Revenue per Head of Population	11. 19. 6	11. 8. 5	93. 16. 5	88. 15. 11
Expenditure	6,761,178	6,889,960	70,537,286	65,793,726
Expenditure per Head of Population	9. 1. 5	9. 8. 9	95. 9. 0	90. 14. 9

SAVINGS BANKS

Depositors' Balances at the end of June, 1961 amounted to £80,711,848 or £108-3-10 per head of population as against £78,622,269 or £107-12-4 per head at the end of June, 1960.

BANK CLEARANCES

The average weekly clearance for the four weeks ended 28th June, 1961, amounted to £21,645,396 compared with £21,702,176 for the corresponding period last year.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds		JUNE		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
		1961	1960	1961	1960
Transfers	No.	1,684	2,030	22,131	21,977
	£.	2,964,102	4,030,444	41,366,128	40,236,165
Mortgages	No.	1,204	1,454	15,150	16,528
	£.	2,713,083	3,074,447	35,043,825	37,074,495
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	991	1,108	12,368	12,884

SALES TAX: SALES OF TAXABLE AND EXEMPT GOODS

AND TAX COLLECTED

Period of Receipt of Returns	Taxable Goods		Sales of Exempt Goods	Tax Collected
	Sales in respect of which Tax is Payable (Net)	Sales in respect of which Tax is NOT Payable (Gross)		
	£.	£.	£.	£.
June, 1961	4,983,176	4,011,023	14,451,810	666,613
June, 1960	5,079,485	3,753,214	13,622,679	784,240
Twelve Months ended June, 1961	58,772,339	46,989,822	154,826,099	9,420,048
Twelve Months ended June, 1960	54,333,551	41,360,839	137,438,152	8,694,790

COMPANIES REGISTERED

405 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £27,973,500 and 157 Foreign Companies were registered during the twelve months ended June, 1961. Registrations for the corresponding period last year comprised 347 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £19,643,800 and 160 Foreign Companies.

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Twelve Months ended JUNE					
	1961			1960		
	No.	Liabilities £.	Assets £.	No.	Liabilities £.	Assets £.
Sequestration Orders	127	252,042	81,140	119	370,359	132,130
Compositions, Assignments and Deeds of Arrangement(a)	78	279,192	242,074	80	261,047	282,917

(a) Under Parts XI and XII of Bankruptcy Act.

TRANSPORT

(Operations of the State Government Railways open for General and Passenger traffic, including Railway Road Service).

Item	MAY		Eleven Months ended MAY	
	1961	1960	1961	1960
Gross Earnings £.	1,621,100	1,348,100	15,046,100	13,685,000
Operating Expenses £.	1,403,049	1,401,828	14,182,427	14,080,774
Train Miles Run No.	720,689	676,253	7,138,665	7,309,281
Motor Bus Miles Run No.	(a) 120,282	(b) 101,254	(c) 1,234,144	(d) 1,056,177
<u>Passenger Journeys -</u>				
Train No.	1,216,053	1,361,630	11,668,196	12,895,004
Motor Bus No.	24,508	24,843	247,222	241,958
<u>Tonnage Carried -</u>				
Paying Goods	513,544	415,743	4,269,317	4,050,988
Livestock	10,123	10,980	130,255	149,301
Departmental (Free Freight)	60,277	39,263	486,370	555,080
Total:	583,944	465,986	4,885,942	4,755,369
<u>Net Ton Milage of -</u>				
Paying Goods	73,059,599	64,409,578	661,140,450	627,745,263
Livestock	1,028,363	1,350,138	17,303,178	19,343,204
Departmental (Free Freight)	5,483,274	3,878,325	48,747,446	51,725,397
Total:	79,571,236	69,638,041	727,191,074	698,813,864

- (a) Four weeks ended 22nd April.
- (b) Four weeks ended 23rd April.
- (c) Period 1st July to 22nd April.
- (d) Period 1st July to 23rd April.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Whole State (a)				
	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1956	5,219	97	1,759	24	724	9,067	169	4,413	85	1,057
1957	5,639	228	1,856	35	1,007	9,865	370	4,385	71	1,447
1958	5,794	762	1,942	15	1,306	9,548	1,290	4,784	43	1,860
1959	5,957	1,205	2,454	20	1,615	9,785	1,962	5,684	55	2,187
1960	8,172	1,774	2,403	27	1,053	12,713	2,951	5,655	66	1,470
1960 -										
May	635	158	212	1	76	970	268	474	3	102
June	712	175	208	3	60	1,086	261	444	5	98
July	635	161	200	2	57	1,019	244	494	4	85
August	812	199	218	3	71	1,159	307	500	8	104
September	873	128	236	-	79	1,375	210	526	4	112
October	847	153	254	3	65	1,321	236	562	5	94
November	869	217	224	4	55	1,336	370	587	5	94
December	517	137	170	1	60	901	284	444	5	88
1961 -										
January	409	106	123	-	67	607	193	327	2	103
February	523	170	183	1	62	762	255	369	10	94
March	718	231	198	-	65	1,028	357	414	4	99
April	541	140	204	-	41	810	230	418	4	61
May	536	141	190	2	53	867	240	414	5	77

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS)

Date (as at end of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Whole State (a)			
	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1957 -								
June	65,013	24,354	560	8,770	103,788	64,806	1,204	13,146
December	67,315	24,209	592	8,389	107,052	64,236	1,234	12,599
1958 -								
June	69,414	24,217	553	8,580	110,573	65,046	1,190	12,827
December	73,190	24,908	545	8,759	114,685	65,582	1,177	12,935
1959 -								
June	75,203	25,222	584	9,080	118,112	66,617	1,213	13,411
December	78,759	25,955	571	9,416	123,293	68,017	1,191	13,559
1960 -								
June	81,636	26,058	554	9,422	127,863	69,131	1,194	13,609
December	86,582	26,507	561	9,068	134,220	70,320	1,220	13,097
1961 -								
January	87,687	26,677	563	9,082	133,760	68,933	1,105	12,948
February	87,944	26,641	566	9,052	134,671	69,557	1,220	12,882
March	88,504	26,615	563	9,034	136,141	70,148	1,223	12,999
April	89,144	26,849	562	8,968	136,047	69,615	1,219	12,653
May	89,151	26,774	560	8,810	137,352	70,531	1,229	12,689

(a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of Defence Services.

BUILDING ACTIVITY

(1) NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings				Factories		Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors etc. (a)							
	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000
1951	1,913	2,835	4,137	6,969	40	459	433	986	6,523	11,249
1952	2,883	5,824	4,946	11,201	63	667	604	2,242	8,496	19,934
1953	2,988	7,219	4,839	12,624	84	817	714	3,657	8,625	24,317
1954	3,127	8,255	5,044	13,491	111	1,544	844	5,015	9,126	28,305
1955	2,788	8,194	6,422	18,091	129	3,405	933	6,900	10,272	36,590
1956	1,921	5,708	4,773	13,508	97	946	923	7,359	7,714	27,521
1957	1,401	4,086	4,748	13,680	100	1,110	714	6,450	6,963	25,326
1958	1,371	3,884	4,638	13,978	146	1,851	714	10,735	6,869	30,448
1959	1,452	3,880	4,657	14,134	138	986	731	9,376	6,978	28,376
1960	1,103	3,013	5,363	16,859	161	2,224	814	11,797	7,441	33,893
1961 - March Qr.	284	781	1,220	3,910	32	224	203	3,564	1,739	8,479

(a) Comprises Government Day Labour as well as Private Contractor Operations and includes shop Dwellings, Flats and Other Residentials excluded from Table (2) below.

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

(Includes Owner-Built Houses)

Period	Houses Completed - Classified According to Materials of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone, Cement, etc.		Wood or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000
1951	2,155	4,560	453	525	2,933	4,241	190	218	5,731	9,544
1952	3,006	8,097	745	1,609	3,844	6,678	135	263	7,730	16,647
1953	2,676	8,417	976	2,657	3,966	8,277	24	54	7,642	19,405
1954	2,865	9,767	214	530	4,823	10,833	4	4	7,906	21,134
1955	3,268	11,775	225	621	5,271	12,614	8	17	8,772	25,027
1956	3,017	10,491	62	175	2,964	6,864	4	9	6,047	17,539
1957	3,773	12,159	28	67	2,139	4,890	6	9	5,946	17,125
1958	3,764	12,501	41	115	1,935	4,547	3	4	5,743	17,167
1959	3,762	12,327	28	58	2,066	4,780	6	13	5,862	17,178
1960	4,582	14,972	21	60	1,573	3,911	5	7	6,181	18,950
1961 - March Qr.	985	3,445	1	1	336	840	2	3	1,324	4,289

MINE PRODUCTION OF GOLD (a)

Item		MAY		Five Months ended MAY	
		1961	1960	1961	1960
Quantity	Fine oz.	66,033	62,886	348,993	337,804
Value (Aust. Currency)	£.	1,031,759	982,600	5,453,011	5,278,186
Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies	£.	456,250	456,250	775,392	721,394

(a) Including gold contained in gold-bearing materials exported. Value is in terms of Australian currency, excluding amounts realized by the Gold Producers' Association Limited on sales of Western Australian gold and amount of subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERTH METROPOLITAN AREA

(Base of Each Index Series: Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Group					Com- bined Index
	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Mis- cellan- eous	
Year ended June:						
1958	114.4	105.7	126.0	105.7	118.3	113.6
1959	115.2	107.2	130.3	105.9	118.7	114.7
1960	118.4	108.2	133.5	107.1	120.9	116.9
Quarters:						
1960 - March	118.4	108.0	134.2	107.4	121.2	117.1
June	121.6	109.6	135.6	107.0	123.3	119.0
September	122.9	109.8	137.0	107.4	123.7	119.8
December	122.9	110.8	141.6	107.3	125.6	120.8
1961 - March	125.3	110.9	143.5	107.4	125.8	121.9
June	126.4	111.6	144.8	107.0	125.6	122.4

Note: For current Statistical purposes the Consumer Index supersedes the "C" Series Retail Price Index formerly shown in this publication.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private Domestic and Personnel in Defence Forces. Prior to December, 1959 excludes also National Service Trainees in camp.)

(Thousands)

Month	Males	Females	Persons	Month	Males	Females	Persons
<u>1959:</u>				<u>1960 (cont.):</u>			
June	140.0	47.0	187.0	June	141.7	49.2	190.9
July	140.4	47.1	187.5	July	141.9	49.3	191.2
August	140.2	47.0	187.2	August	142.7	49.8	192.5
September	140.8	47.3	188.1	September	143.1	50.2	193.3
October	141.2	47.7	188.9	October	143.2	50.4	193.6
November	141.3	48.1	189.4	November	143.7	50.6	194.3
December	141.1	48.2	189.3	December	143.5	51.1	194.6
<u>1960:</u>				<u>1961:</u>			
January	141.1	47.4	188.5	January	142.7	50.0	192.7
February	141.6	48.5	190.1	February	143.2	50.4	193.6
March	141.8	48.9	190.7	March	142.9	50.4	193.3
April	141.4	48.9	190.3	April	143.1	50.5	193.6
May	141.5	49.4	190.9	May	142.7	50.3	193.0

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1960 are subject to revision.

INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Base: 1928/29 - 19,799 Employees = 100)

Month	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
January	237	241	232	231	229	234	241
February	240	241	235	233	231	237	241
March	242	240	236	234	233	238	239
April	243	239	234	233	233	237	239
May	242	238	234	230	232	238	237
June	239	235	231	228	229	237	
July	238	231	229	229	231	237	
August	239	230	229	229	232	239	
September	241	233	232	230	233	241	
October	241	233	232	232	234	241	
November	243	233	233	231	235	242	
December	242	232	232	231	235	240	

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1960 are subject to revision.

STATE BASIC WAGE

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area						South-West Land Division						Goldfields and Rest of State					
	Male			Female			Male			Female			Male			Female		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
31/7/61	15.	0.	6	11.	5.	5	14.	18.	11	11.	4.	2	14.	13.	2	10.	19.	11

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS AND MEAT PRODUCTION

(1) SLAUGHTERINGS (Number)

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
May, 1961	19,124	1,232	113,746	45,728	18,540
May, 1960	20,875	1,945	115,338	42,480	14,374
11 Months ended May, 1961	164,726	16,514	1,584,915	896,384	177,711
11 Months ended May, 1960	191,809	24,258	1,679,947	791,825	156,021

(2) MEAT PRODUCTION (Tons)

Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork(a)
May, 1961	4,220	51	2,205	644	997
May, 1960	4,528	73	2,111	574	794
11 Months ended May, 1961	35,003	685	30,441	12,865	9,666
11 Months ended May, 1960	39,269	974	30,297	10,947	8,362

(a) Includes pork for bacon and ham - see page 12.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

The term "Metropolitan" refers to the Metropolitan Traffic Area.

Period	Non-Casualty Accidents (a)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents(a)		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State
1956	5,866	7,961	2,161	3,036	8,027	10,997	102	182	2,653	3,889
1957	6,150	8,343	2,244	3,220	8,394	11,563	87	152	2,733	4,068
1958	6,614	8,691	2,412	3,451	9,026	12,142	80	183	2,990	4,478
1959	6,349	8,492	2,474	3,521	8,823	12,013	86	171	3,135	4,624
1960	7,180	9,559	2,598	3,713	9,778	13,272	94	199	3,289	4,862
5 Months ended May, 1960	2,738	3,668	1,129	1,548	3,867	5,216	43	81	1,398	2,007
5 Months ended May, 1961	1,574	2,304	985	1,450	2,559	3,754	36	77	1,271	1,945
1961 -										
January	291	442	190	277	481	719	6	10	261	396
February	316	442	181	266	497	708	6	12	234	362
March	329	479	215	331	544	810	5	20	272	440
April	334	485	204	291	538	776	11	22	253	389
May	304	456	195	285	499	741	8	13	251	358

(a) Non-casualty accidents from 1956 to 1960 exclude those where damage was estimated to be £10 or less; from January, 1961 they exclude those where estimated damage was £25 or less.

AVERAGE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PRICES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

Item	Unit	1960							1961					
		June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct..	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
FRUIT		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	10. 5	9. 7	8. 4	9. 5	11. 7	13. 1	16. 6	18. 6	21. 5	29. 8	18. 1	13. 9	12. 4
Oranges - Navel	bush.	20. 7	20. 2	20. 6	25. 6	27. 9	28. 8	-	-	-	-	-	34. 1	28. 8
- Val.	bush.	-	-	18. 8	21. 6	21. 1	20. 8	20. 1	24. 9	26. 5	28. 2	25. 3	25. 2	-
Bananas - Local	lb.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1. 3
Apples - G.Smith	bush.	22. 9	27. 7	31. 3	33. 1	34. 4	36.10	25.11	-	-	14. 5	14.11	14. 4	14.10
- Other	bush.	27. 9	40. 3	57. 4	52. 4	54. 8	49. 3	34. 1	19. 1	21. 1	18.10	20. 6	21. 2	18.11
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	22. 4	25. 5	29. 5	-	-	-	-	29. 6	18. 9	18. 6	15. 7	18. 1	21. 5
Apricots	$\frac{1}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	-	16. 9	17. 0	25. 4	-	-	-	-	-
Nectarines	$\frac{1}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24. 9	22.10	-	-	-	-
Plums	$\frac{1}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	17. 7	16. 2	12. 2	-	-	-	-
Peaches	$\frac{1}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	-	20. 8	16. 4	22.10	14. 8	18. 4	-	-	-
Grapes	$\frac{1}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	25. 9	28.11	23. 3	27.10	16. 9	22. 6	-
VEGETABLES														
Cabbage	crate (a)	16. 8	6.11	4. 9	5. 3	5.10	8. 3	5.11	6. 5	9.10	16. 4	11. 2	7. 6	7. 6
Cauliflowers	dozen	15. 4	12. 0	16.11	19.11	13. 8	16. 9	15. 6	-	24. 6	20. 2	19. 4	8. 4	12. 0
Lettuce	crate	6.10	9. 5	16.10	12. 3	8.11	14.10	10. 5	15. 3	21. 7	15. 5	6. 4	8. 8	10.10
Table Celery	doz.head	5.11	5.10	6. 7	9. 2	10. 1	14. 1	11.10	9.11	10. 1	10. 5	10. 8	8. 5	9. 7
Beetroot	cwt.	54. 7	62. 5	78. 8	81. 7	96. 2	61.10	65.11	74. 2	92. 8	50.10	21. 3	21. 3	21. 3
Carrots	cwt.	17. 9	21. 2	21.10	19.10	26. 1	23. 3	19.11	21.10	29. 6	43. 5	48. 7	50. 2	42. 9
Parsnips	cwt.	26. 2	37. 8	35. 5	51. 8	46. 9	48. 1	44. 2	52. 3	66. 6	85. 3	98. 0	120. 6	150. 2
Turnips	$\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.bag	11.11	12. 5	8.11	5. 5	5. 3	5. 5	4. 8	6. 4	11. 7	11. 0	5.10	5. 0	7. 0
Swedes	cwt.	22. 5	25. 9	24. 0	27. 0	35. 2	33. 3	22. 2	38. 6	60. 5	75. 7	62.11	32.11	27. 4
Runner Beans	lb.	1. 6	1. 5	1. 3	1. 2	11	1. 2	6	1. 1	1. 7	1. 8	6	7	10
Peas	lb.	1. 6	1. 9	1. 0	1. 2	7	1. 1	1. 0	1. 5	1. 6	1. 7	1. 5	1. 1	1. 3
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	4	4	4	4	7	6	6	11	7	5	5	3	5
Pumpkin	bag	21. 1	22. 5	27. 6	39. 6	44. 5	80. 0	47. 6	25. 6	34. 5	31. 9	30. 3	23. 7	21. 4
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	32. 5	28. 4	21. 6	28. 3	47.10	40. 6	19. 7	26. 5	27. 0	34. 2	25. 6	28.11	20. 9
		£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.
Onions (b)	ton	60. 0.0	52.10.0	52.10.0	(c)	(c)	(c)	30. 0.0	35. 0.0	45. 0.0	45. 0.0	50. 0.0(e)	55. 0.0(f)	60. 0.0
Potatoes (d)	ton	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0

(a) 50 lb. crate.

(b) W.A. Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants delivered Metropolitan Area.

(c) Onion Pool closed.

(d) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants F.O.R. Perth.

(e) From 17th April to 15th May. (f) From 16th April to 29th May.

AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK - GOOD QUALITY - SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

	1960							1961					
	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
SHEEP													
Suckers	-	3.17. 1	3.11.11	3. 3.11	3. 1. 4	2.19. 0	3. 2. 8	-	-	-	-	-	3. 9. 9
Lambs													
In Wool	3.19.11	3.16. 8	3. 9. 6	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.14. 3	3.17. 2	3.19. 9	3.14. 2
Shorn	3. 2. 4	2.17. 7	-	-	2.12. 1	2.15. 9	2.17. 5	3. 8. 6	3.11. 0	-	3.10. 2	3. 9. 4	3. 3.11
Hoggets													
In Wool	3.14. 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3. 7. 4	-	3.16. 9	-
Shorn	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.16. 6	3. 3. 2	3. 6. 3	-	-	-	-
Ewes													
In Wool	3. 8. 1	3. 6. 5	2.16. 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.15. 9	2.16. 7	3. 7. 8	3. 8. 6
Shorn	2. 8.11	2. 3. 9	1.19. 0	1.15. 0	1.15. 8	1.18. 4	2. 3. 7	2.10. 4	2.10.11	2. 2. 3	1.18. 6	2. 6. 9	-
Wethers													
In Wool	3.16.11	3.13. 9	3. 0. 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3. 4. 6	3. 5. 4	3.18. 2	3.16. 1
Shorn	2.14. 0	2.10. 4	2. 5. 6	2. 4.11	2. 6. 4	2. 6.11	2.11. 3	2.19. 2	2.19.11	2. 9. 4	2. 6.10	2.11. 6	2.12. 6
CATTLE													
Baby Beef	42.15. 2	41. 4. 3	37.10. 9	37.18. 9	38. 2. 0	36.15.10	39. 9. 2	36. 6. 3	36.19. 8	38.16. 6	40. 9.11	43.19.10	43. 5. 3
Heifers	43.10. 2	-	42. 4. 0	38. 2. 4	43.10. 3	39.13. 2	41. 0. 0	-	-	42. 7.11	44.16. 1	-	47. 0. 7
Cows	50.16. 5	48.12. 9	48. 7. 8	49. 2.11	49.10.11	48.12. 7	49.14. 2	49.10. 6	51.16. 8	55. 6. 3	54. 0. 6	53.18. 8	51. 9. 7
Steers	52.13. 4	49. 9. 6	50. 6. 4	51. 8. 1	52. 7.10	52. 0. 5	51.12. 3	51.14. 8	53.17. 7	55. 7. 6	57. 6. 2	57.13. 5	55. 7.10
Bullocks	60.10.11	61. 5. 1	60.16. 9	60.13.11	62. 6. 1	60.16. 7	66. 7. 6	-	-	-	-	62.12. 8	59.16. 4
PIGS													
Slips	6.11. 1	-	6.19. 9	7. 6. 8	-	5. 9.11	6. 6. 8	-	4.16. 9	-	-	-	5. 6.11
Porkers	11.10. 4	11. 0. 2	11.11. 0	11. 9.10	11.17. 1	11. 3.10	10.19. 7	9.17.11	10. 3.10	9.11.11	9.17.11	10. 0. 1	9.13.11
Baconers	16.14. 1	16.18. 1	17. 3. 5	16.18. 2	17. 7. 0	16.10. 3	16. 1. 9	16. 3. 2	15. 5. 5	15. 3. 6	15. 8. 5	15. 7. 3	15. 1. 6

AVERAGE PRICES OF POULTRY PER LB. (LIVWEIGHT) - SOLD AT THE METROPOLITAN MARKETS

Turkey Hens	2. 9	2.10	2. 9	2. 9	2.10	3. 6	3. 9	-	3. 8	3. 3	2.10	2. 9	2. 9
" Cocks	2. 8	2. 8	2. 8	2. 7	2. 7	3. 3	3. 8	3. 1	-	3. 3	3. 2	2. 9	2. 7
Ducks	2. 4	2. 5	2. 6	-	3. 2	3. 8	3. 6	2. 8	2. 6	2. 3	2. 2	2. 3	2. 4
Drakes	2. 4	2. 4	2. 5	2.11	3. 2	3. 9	3. 8	2.10	2. 6	2. 3	2. 3	2. 3	2. 3
Geese	1.10	1. 7	-	-	-	-	2. 9	-	1. 7	1. 9	1. 7	2. 3	1.10
Cockerels	3. 4	3. 3	3. 0	2. 8	2. 7	2. 8	3. 0	2.10	2. 9	3. 1	2. 9	2. 9	2. 7
Capons	3. 8	3. 2	3. 0	2.10	2. 9	2.11	3. 2	2.11	2.11	3. 2	2.10	2.10	2. 9
Hens	2. 6	2. 5	2. 5	2. 5	2. 3	2. 4	2. 4	2. 4	2. 3	2. 3	2. 3	2. 3	2. 3

RETAIL HIRE PURCHASE OPERATIONS OF FINANCE BUSINESSES - NEW AGREEMENTS MADE (a)

Period	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.			Plant and Machinery			Household and Personal Goods (b)			Total (All Goods)			Total Balances Outstanding at end of each period (e)
	Agree- ments Made	Total Value of Goods(c)	Amount Financed (d)	Agree- ments Made	Total Value of Goods(c)	Amount Financed (d)	Agree- ments Made	Total Value of Goods(c)	Amount Financed (d)	Agree- ments Made	Total Value of Goods(c)	Amount Financed (d)	
	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£'000	£'000	£'000
1955-56	21,810	14,644	9,133	821	531	334	57,592	4,484	3,674	80,223	19,659	13,141	15,388
1956-57	20,790	13,524	8,325	1,385	963	604	60,417	4,338	3,523	82,592	18,825	12,452	15,488
1957-58	26,321	18,176	11,263	1,829	1,542	1,081	64,214	4,811	3,880	92,364	24,529	16,224	19,052
1958-59	26,998	18,216	11,264	2,145	1,782	1,167	51,842	4,175	3,347	80,985	24,173	15,778	20,779
1959-60	30,898	22,123	13,891	2,811	2,271	1,435	46,676	5,196	4,209	80,385	29,590	19,535	25,169
1959 - May	2,178	1,455	896	192	123	82	3,833	272	221	6,203	1,850	1,199	20,818
June	2,177	1,412	869	131	77	52	3,200	263	210	5,508	1,752	1,131	20,779
July	2,213	1,562	952	139	97	63	3,374	297	232	5,726	1,956	1,247	20,878
August	2,282	1,641	1,026	132	87	61	3,660	284	229	6,074	2,012	1,316	21,107
September	2,446	1,596	1,002	174	145	89	3,790	360	292	6,410	2,101	1,383	21,407
October	2,620	1,822	1,154	354	352	223	3,663	356	288	6,637	2,530	1,665	21,991
November	2,687	1,987	1,231	445	534	335	3,871	427	344	7,003	2,948	1,910	22,892
December	2,889	2,165	1,360	221	224	138	4,709	461	368	7,819	2,850	1,866	23,633
1960 - January	2,556	1,602	1,011	152	109	67	3,831	486	385	6,539	2,197	1,463	23,716
February	2,539	1,756	1,102	181	126	82	3,410	456	363	6,130	2,338	1,547	22,865
March	2,784	2,013	1,248	263	155	98	4,234	582	462	7,281	2,750	1,808	23,279
April	2,533	1,899	1,210	293	156	96	3,245	397	334	6,071	2,452	1,640	23,687
May	2,708	1,969	1,238	262	161	101	4,569	553	463	7,539	2,683	1,802	24,430
June	2,641	2,111	1,357	195	125	82	4,320	537	449	7,156	2,773	1,888	25,169
July	2,368	1,794	1,124	188	137	89	4,105	468	388	6,661	2,399	1,601	25,852
August	2,588	1,914	1,200	178	126	87	3,835	539	457	6,601	2,579	1,744	26,397
September	2,670	1,962	1,269	289	228	151	3,775	465	385	6,734	2,655	1,805	26,602
October	2,661	2,126	1,341	487	571	367	3,759	470	382	6,907	3,167	2,090	27,316
November	2,754	2,235	1,419	465	494	322	3,680	485	396	6,899	3,214	2,137	28,438
December	1,766	1,403	867	215	191	117	4,094	509	428	6,075	2,103	1,412	29,161
1961 - January	1,846	1,406	891	104	73	43	3,418	406	332	5,368	1,885	1,266	29,436
February	1,628	1,232	754	193	232	135	2,929	353	288	4,750	1,817	1,177	27,726
March	1,966	1,675	953	254	207	125	2,670	337	275	4,890	2,219	1,353	27,584
April	Not yet available												(f)27,122
May	do.												(f)27,106

(a) Figures relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves. (b) Includes furniture and furnishings, domestic refrigerators, electrical goods, radios, musical instruments, bicycles and other household and personal goods. (c) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance). (d) Excludes hiring charges and insurance. (e) Includes hiring charges and insurance. (f) Preliminary.

RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

(£ million)

Period (a)	Groceries	Butchers' Meat	Other Food- Stuffs, Soft Drinks	Beer, Wine and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings	Foot- wear	Hardware, China and Glass- ware(b)	Elect- rical Goods, Pianos, etc.	Furniture, Floor Coverings, Mattresses	Chem- ists' Goods	News- papers, Books, Station- ery	Other Goods (c)	Total (excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Veh- icles, Trac- tors, Parts, Petrol, etc. (d)
1952-53	20.7	8.2	13.7	14.4	20.5	3.6	9.3	6.1	5.2	3.2	3.3	18.2	126.4	*37.8
1956-57	26.2	11.3	18.6	17.6	24.2	3.9	*10.2	7.5	6.1	4.6	4.4	21.3	*155.9	*49.8
1957-58	27.4	12.0	19.4	19.5	28.6(e)	(e)	10.1	8.2	6.5	(f)	(f)	31.8(f)	163.5	*56.9
1958-59	28.7	11.1	19.4	18.4	25.1	4.3	10.7	8.7	6.5	5.6	4.7	21.2	164.4	*55.3
1959-60	*30.8	11.6	*21.7	*19.1	27.4	4.7	11.9	*13.8	*7.7	*6.0	*4.9	22.6	*182.2	*66.7
Sept. Qr.														
1956	6.6	2.9	4.4	3.8	6.6(e)	(e)	2.4	1.6	1.5	(f)	(f)	6.6(f)	36.4	11.5
1957	6.6	3.1	4.5	4.2	6.7(e)	(e)	2.5	1.9	1.6	(f)	(f)	7.0(f)	38.1	*13.7
1958	7.0	2.8	4.5	4.0	6.0	1.0	2.5	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.1	4.4	38.1	*13.1
1959	7.5	2.9	4.9	4.2	6.3	1.1	2.7	*2.5	1.7	1.4	1.1	4.5	*40.8	*14.8
1960	7.8	3.0	*5.3	*4.4	*6.7	1.2	3.0	*3.9	2.1	1.6	1.1	4.9	*45.0	*18.3
Dec. Qr.														
1956	6.7	2.8	4.8	4.7	8.2(e)	(e)	2.7	2.3	1.6	(f)	(f)	7.8(f)	41.6	12.5
1957	7.2	3.0	5.0	5.3	8.5(e)	(e)	2.9	2.6	1.8	(f)	(f)	8.1(f)	44.4	*14.9
1958	7.6	2.7	5.0	5.2	7.2	1.2	3.0	2.9	1.8	1.5	1.3	5.2	44.6	*14.1
1959	8.0	2.9	*5.6	5.2	7.8	1.3	3.3	3.6	*2.1	1.6	1.4	5.5	*48.3	*17.1
1960	8.8	3.1	*5.9	*5.8	8.0	1.4	3.6	*4.2	*2.3	1.8	1.4	5.8	*52.1	*18.8
March Qr.														
1956	6.4	2.6	4.8	4.6	5.8(e)	(e)	2.3	2.1	1.4	(f)	(f)	7.8(f)	37.8	12.7
1957	6.3	2.7	4.7	4.9	6.0(e)	(e)	*2.5	1.8	1.5	(f)	(f)	8.1(f)	*38.5	12.1
1958	6.7	2.9	5.0	5.4	6.0(e)	(e)	2.4	2.0	1.5	(f)	(f)	8.5(f)	40.4	*14.2
1959	7.0	2.7	5.2	5.0	5.1	0.9	2.6	2.0	1.5	1.3	1.2	5.5	40.0	*13.9
1960	7.5	2.8	*5.8	*5.2	6.0	1.0	2.9	*3.6	1.9	1.4	1.3	6.3	*45.7	*16.9
1961	8.2	3.1	6.2	5.9	5.7	1.1	2.9	3.5	1.6	1.6	1.3	6.5	*47.6	15.9
June Qr.														
1956	6.7	2.8	4.3	3.7	7.3(e)	(e)	2.5	1.5	1.4	(f)	(f)	7.5(f)	37.7	11.1
1957	6.6	2.9	4.7	4.2	7.3(e)	(e)	2.6	1.8	1.5	(f)	(f)	7.8(f)	39.4	13.2
1958	6.9	3.0	4.9	4.6	7.4(e)	(e)	2.3	1.7	1.6	(f)	(f)	8.2(f)	40.6	*14.1
1959	7.1	2.9	4.7	4.2	6.8	1.2	2.6	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.1	6.1	41.7	*14.2
1960	*7.8	3.0	*5.4	*4.5	7.3	1.3	3.0	*4.1	2.0	*1.6	*1.1	6.3	*47.4	*17.9

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1957 are subject to revision. (b) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. Timber, Building Sheets, Tiles, Joinery, Cement). (c) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, Grain and Produce, Jewellery, Office Equipment, etc. (d) Excludes Farm Machinery and Implements, Earth-moving Equipment, etc. (e) Footwear is included with Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings. (f) Chemists' Goods and Papers, Books, Stationery are included with Other Goods. * Revised.

MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS

Item	Unit	MAY		Eleven Months ended MAY	
		1961	1960	1961	1960
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid fuel	number	502	921	4,827	5,413
Bricks - Clay (a)	'000	9,538	8,791	97,560	91,337
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	125	156	1,362	1,358
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	3,171	2,322	26,504	22,045
Ready Mixed Paints and Enamels excluding Water Paints	gallon	24,809	31,937	338,098	341,048
Tiles, Roofing - Cement	'000	340	621	3,796	5,346
Timber - Sawn (from Local Logs) (b)	'000 sup. ft.	18,205	16,990	174,357	184,585
<u>Clothing</u>					
Blazers - Men's and Boys'	number	1,469	1,195	11,942	10,649
Pyjamas, Woven - Men's and Boys'	dozen	1,368	771	12,095	10,759
Shirts (all types) - Men's and Boys'	"	4,592	4,127	51,986	55,162
Suits - Men's - 3 piece	number	63	32	219	510
- 2 piece	"	1,452	1,607	16,831	15,775
Trousers - Men's - Sport	"	6,397	6,598	77,624	69,170
- Work	"	12,756	15,719	150,522	170,848
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots, Shoes and Sandals (all types)	pair	41,154	50,888	546,060	547,642
Slippers	"	10,065	12,499	121,806	150,733
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Aerated Waters	'000 gallons	193	184	4,894	4,171
Cordials and Syrups	gallon	7,261	7,247	245,157	185,727
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	625	599	6,363	6,310
Butter	"	1,191	961	15,497	15,084
Cheese	"	238	183	2,752	2,979
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Acid - Acetic	cwt.	880	731	6,960	6,724
- Sulphuric	ton	21,061	20,965	216,906	205,215
Coal	"	70,089	85,969	677,028	817,648
Electricity Generated	'000 kwh	87,751	84,242	943,610	843,387
Gas Produced	million cub. ft.	128	134	1,319	1,300
Mattresses-Soft Filled(c)	number	2,088	3,337	28,111	33,084
Pig Iron	ton	4,436	4,730	47,969	43,026
Superphosphate	"	60,428	57,031	596,255	565,182
Wool - Scoured	'000 lb.	2,215	2,982	27,192	31,082

(a) Standard size.

(b) Includes plywood veneers in terms of super feet.

(c) Including mattresses of rubber, plastic foam and sponge, but
excluding Inner Spring.

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